

Cruisin' Through Construction



Interstate 215 Widening Project, San Bernardino

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Phases 3 and 4 Go Out To Bid!

The remaining phases of the I-215 Widening Project are one step closer to starting construction!

In early May, SANBAG officials approved soliciting construction bids for Phases 3 and 4, which will improve the portion of freeway between Rialto Avenue and University Parkway.

The project went out to bid on May 18, allowing SANBAG and Caltrans to pick construction teams by July so work can begin in September.

Phases 3 and 4 will add one carpool lane and one general-use lane between Rialto Avenue and SR-210. In addition, freeway-to-freeway ramps will connect I-215 and SR-210.

All bridges in the project area will be reconstructed to accommodate the freeway's new width and auxiliary lanes, which will ease the transition for drivers entering and exiting the freeway.

Also, wall motifs will continue to be added throughout the corridor and will include images that represent San Bernardino, such as arrowheads and mountain ranges.

With construction phases 2, 3 and 4 occurring simultaneously, SANBAG and Caltrans will work together to ensure consecutive bridges will not be closed at the same time.

Project Questions?

For questions or to request a presentation about the widening of Interstate 215, call the toll-free helpline, **1-877-215-NEWS.**



Phase 2 Work Continues With Concrete Bridge Pour

MCM Construction and Caltrans continued to concentrate work between Orange Show Road and Inland Center Drive during the month of May. Crews completed the concrete deck pour for the Orange Show Road connector and helped relieve traffic on Mill Street on- and off-ramps by replacing flashing traffic signals with timed lights.

In June, crews will continue working on Inland Center Drive on- and off-ramps. In addition, work on the retaining walls near Inland Center Drive are expected to be completed by the end of the month.



Crews pour concrete for Orange Show Road deck.

Monthly meetings between Caltrans, local merchants and emergency personnel continue to provide construction updates and address concerns. The meetings are held on the third Thursday of every month at 9 a.m. at the Caltrans Annex building located at 655 West Second Street in San Bernardino.

For planned lane and ramp closures within Phase 2, please visit the Caltrans Web site at www.caltrans8.info. For the safety of you and the workers, please SLOW FOR THE CONE ZONE.

Local Businesses Open During Construction

Although construction work is spanning the southern half of I-215 through San Bernardino, businesses remain open during construction. Please be sure to consider the following businesses among others while searching for services in the City of San Bernardino:

Denny's Restaurant – 510 W. Orange Show Road (909) 889-8848
Denny's offers a casual dining atmosphere with moderately priced meals served 24 hours a day. In addition to low-fat offerings, Denny's has selections for customers age 55 and over and children under 10. Open 24 hours. www.dennys.com

Moss Bros. Auto Group – 1100 South E Street (866) 329-5555
Having served the Inland Empire for more than 90 years, Moss sells new, used, domestic, certified pre-owned and imported vehicles. Moss provides vehicle service, sells parts and has a body shop on the premises. For the best service and the lowest prices remember at Moss you're the boss! Hours differ with each department. Visit www.mossbrosautogroup.com for detailed information.



The I-215 widening project is a partnership among San Bernardino Associated Governments, the California Department of Transportation, the Federal Highway Administration and the City of San Bernardino.

